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in the Office Action. For these additional reasons, applicant respectfully requests joinder and examination of Groups I, VII, IX, and X, claims 1-28, 46-53, and 61-88.

4. In regard to designation of generic claims, applicants refer to MPEP § 806.04(e) which states that "[c]laims may be restricted to a single disclosed embodiment (i.e. a single species, and thus be designated a specific or species claim), or a claim may include two or more of the disclosed embodiment...(and thus be designated a generic or genus claim)" (emphasis in original). In this regard, applicants note that only claim 15 is limited to the elected species, immunostimulatory activity. Thus, only claim 15 is a specific claim defined above.

Accordingly, applicants note that, with respect to the elected species, immunostimulatory activity, claims 1-14 and 16-88 are generic.

Favorable consideration of claims 1-28, 46-53, and 61-88 is earnestly solicited.

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